

ESGF USER INTERFACE WORKING TEAM (ESGF-UIWT): PROGRESS UPDATE & FUTURE ROADMAP

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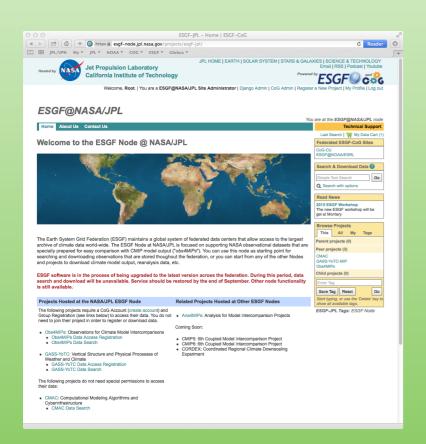
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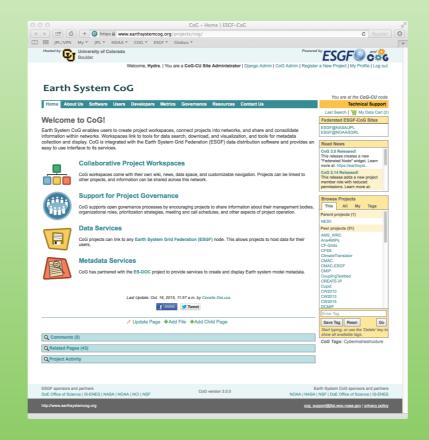
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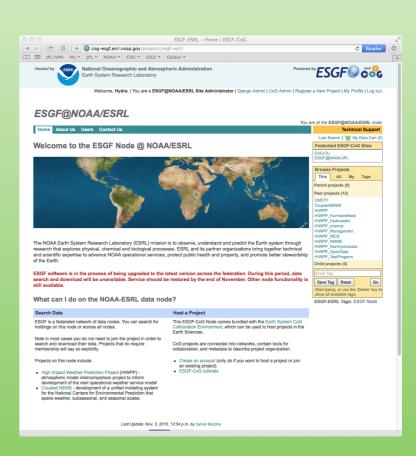


2015 Progress Report

- Throughout 2015, the ESGF-UIWT has worked <u>relentlessly</u> towards the goal of making CoG the next generation ESGF User Interface
- The ESGF security crisis has somewhat "forced" a replacement that would have otherwise been slower and more controversial



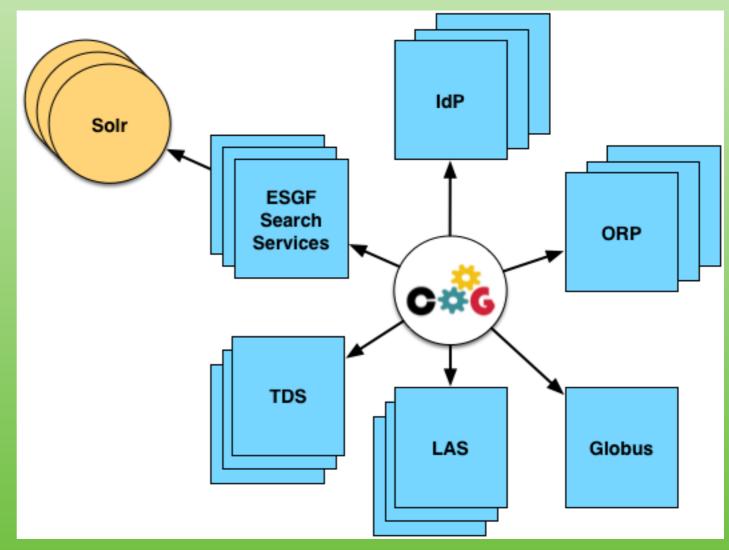




- 2015: 16 CoG releases (major + patches)!
- See details at: https://www.earthsystemcog.org/projects/cog/download/

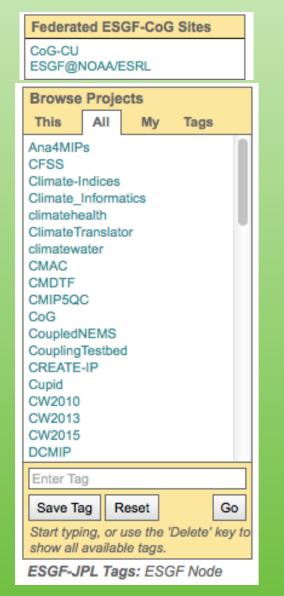


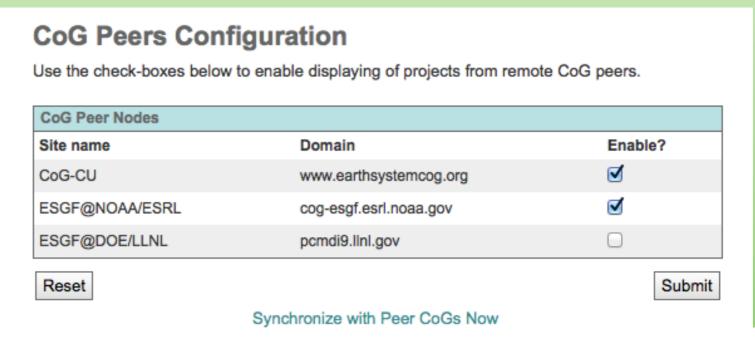
- Integration of CoG installation with ESGF installer
 - ▶ CoG and dependencies are now installed as part of ESGF 2.X software stack
 - CoG runs behind Apache httpd through mod_wsgi
 - ▶ CoG provides an entry point for human users into the other ESGF services and engines such as Search, ORP, IdP, TDS, LAS, Globus, etc...
 - ▶ Note: the same esgf-cog script can be run standalone to upgrade CoG outside of ESGF release





- Improved and evolved the CoG federation model
 - ▶ Exchange of information among nodes (projects, users, tags)
 - ▶ Admin UI for selecting peer nodes and triggering synchronization of information
 - ▶ SSO via OpenID including sites that have ESGF-signed certificates
 - ▶ Support IdP selector on login page
 - ▶ UI to facilitate user registration with ESGF access control groups



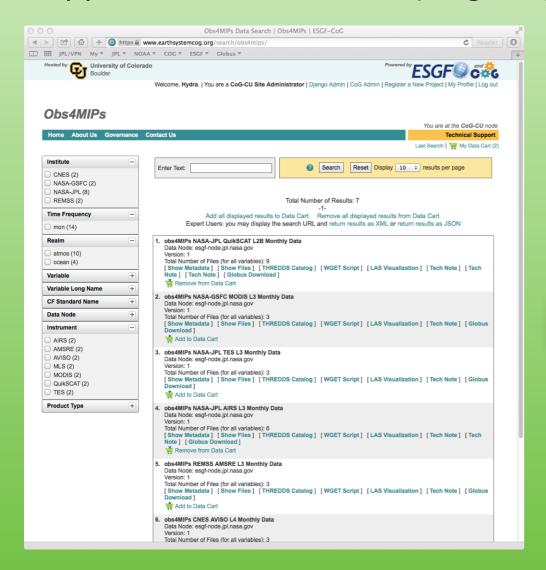


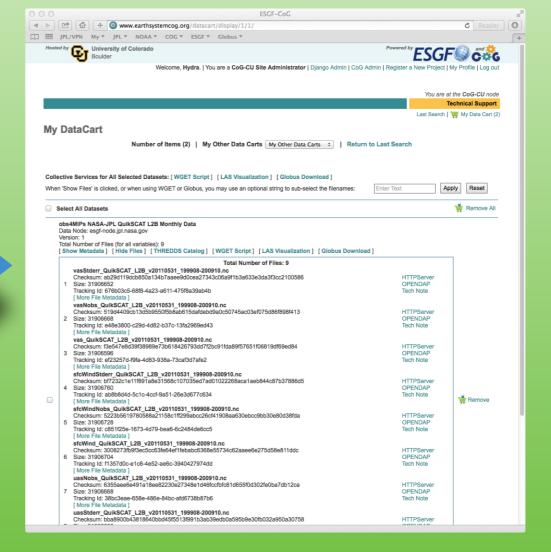
CoG Peer Nodes Synchronization

Synchronization Report					
Site Name	Domain	Number of Projects	Number of Users	Report Document	Sync Status
CoG-CU	www.earthsystemcog.org	92	237	Shared Projects	OK
ESGF@NASA/JPL	esgf-node.jpl.nasa.gov	1	26	Shared Projects	OK
ESGF@NOAA/ESRL	cog-esgf.esrl.noaa.gov	17	846	Shared Projects	OK
Total		110	1109		



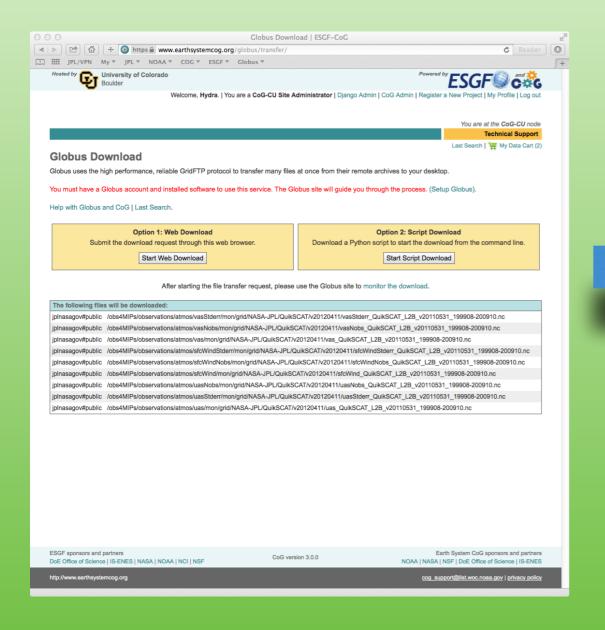
- Improvement and upgrade of interface to ESGF Search Services
 - ▶ New admin features for customizing each project-level search
 - ▶ Improvements to search UI: bread crumbing, "last search", selection of multiple options per facet, export of results as XML or JSON, display of Tech-Notes
 - ▶ Many usability improvements to Data Cart
 - ▶ Support for "local shard" (targeting local shard to find files to download)

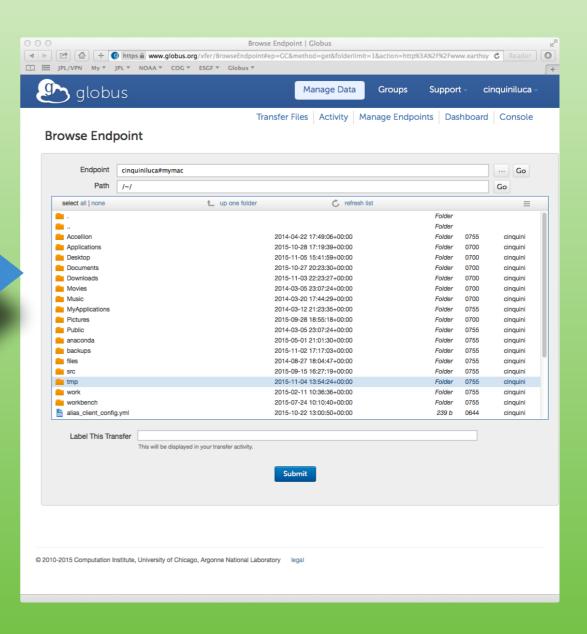






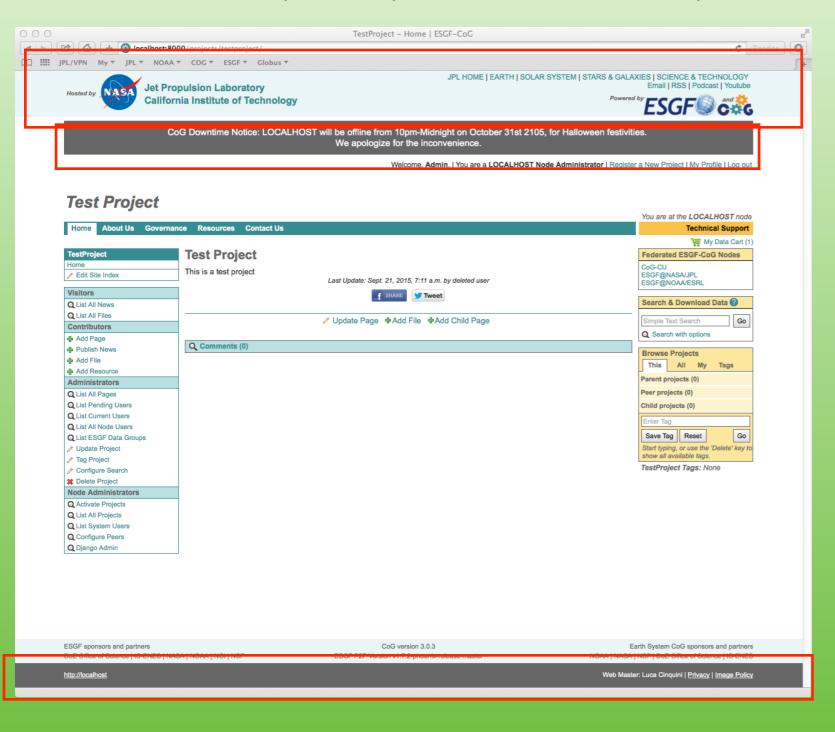
- Integration with Globus online service for data download
 - ▶ Major improvement in usability, performance, portability (no more wget!)
 - ▶ For now, it works only for public data (no additional authorization required)
 - ▶ Thanks to: Lukasz, Rachana @ ANL, Brian Knosp, Robert Ferraro, Luca @ JPL

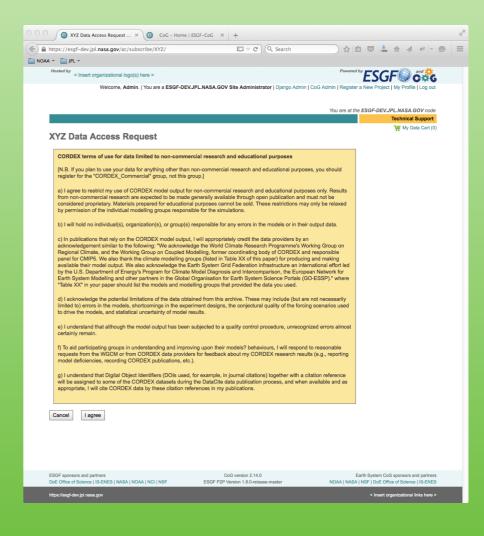






- Support for Node specific customization
 - ▶ Leverages Django's template loading mechanism
 - Includes header, footer, notification banner, data access licenses







• Infrastructure

- ▶ Several fixes to comply with JPL monthly security scans
- ▶ Upgrade to latest version of Django
- ▶ Switched the database migration process to use Django migrations
- ▶ Several improvements in web site design, style, CSS, layout, etc.
- ▶ Use of captcha to limit spam registrations
- Major work with agency sponsors to define format for logos in common header and footer
- ▶ Extensive effort on authoring and maintaining up-to-date documentation (hosted on CoG)



2016 Future Roadmap

- In 2016, the top priority will be to support the deployment of CoG through ESGF:
 - ▶ Support to ESGF node administrators and users
 - Bug and security fixes as needed
- Secondly, CoG work will prioritize requirements from WIP/CMIP6 panel:
 - ▶ Display of quality flag, PIDs, citations, errata, ...
 - ▶ Integration with ES-DOC metadata services
- Additionally, the team will work with its governance structure to gather requirements, prioritize and implement future development. Possible tasks include:
 - ▶ Support for Globus download of restricted data
 - ▶ Support for delegation of credentials via OAuth
 - ▶ Improvements to registration into ESGF access control groups
 - ▶ Integration with other Python-based ESGF applications:
 - ACME Ingestion (aka Publication) Services
 - ESGF WPS Computing Services
 - ▶ Support for multiple Virtual Organizations within the CoG federation model



Resources Needed to Meet Goals

Generally speaking, CoG development is a well established and efficient process, but we could use some help in the following areas:

- Consider holding a monthly telco of ESGF/CoG node administrators to gather/ prioritize requirements and demo new capabilities
 - ▶ These people would constitute the new "CoG Users Review Group" described in the CoG governance structure
- We must establish a support structure for ESGF/CoG users
 - ▶ Where to send emails and who to answer them
 - ▶ Where to post FAQs
 - ▶ Must interface with existing ESGF User Support Working Team and delegate as much as possible
- We must develop a model for integrating other Python/Django applications without disrupting the main CoG code base
 - ► Example: ACME Ingestion services



CoG Governance

CoG has an existing governance structure that pre-dates ESGF:

- Steering Committee (SC) meets twice/year
 - ▶ Includes project sponsors and addresses programmatic matters
 - ▶ Jay Hilo (DOE), Tsendgar Lee (NASA), Annarita Mariotti (NOAA), Sylvie Joussaume (IS-ENES)
- Executive Committee (EC) meets twice/year
 - ▶ Responsible for overall direction of the project
 - ▶ Dean Williams (DOE), Robert Ferraro (NASA), Cecelia DeLuca (NOAA), Stephen Pascoe (ISENES), Luca Cinquini (NASA/NOAA)
- <u>User Review Group</u> (URG) meets approximately monthly
 - ▶ Participates in demonstrations, provides feedback on requirements, design and usability (captured in tickets)
 - ▶ Must revisit membership based on ESGF adoption
- <u>CoG Core Team</u> meets weekly
 - ▶ Responsible for design, implementation, user support and metrics collection
 - ▶ Cecelia DeLuca, Sylvia Murphy, Luca Cinquini